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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s):** Dycus et al.      **Examiner:** Michael Peffley  
**Serial No.:** 10/848,773      **Group:** Art Unit 3739  
**Filed:** May 19, 2004      **Dated:** June 12, 2007  
**For:** VESSEL SEALER AND DIVIDER

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## **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
  - A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
  - No additional fee is required.

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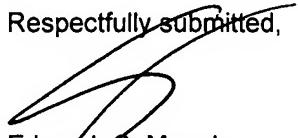
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated April 13, 2007, please amend this application as set forth hereinbelow.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

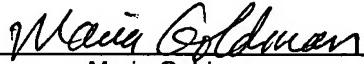
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